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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT SEATTLE

10 GERALD TINNER,

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

13 SAN JUAN COUNTY,

14 Defendant.

CASE NO. C19-925 MJP

ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFF'S  
MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE  
OVER-LENGTH BRIEF;

DENYING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION  
TO CONTINUE DEADLINES

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16 THIS MATTER comes before the Court on Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File an  
17 Overlength Brief (Dkt. No. 38) and Motion to Continue Deadlines (Dkt. No. 39). Having  
18 reviewed the Motions, the Responses (Dkt. Nos. 43, 44), and all related papers, the Court  
19 DENIES the Motions.

20 Plaintiff first seeks leave to file an additional five pages in response to the Defendants'  
21 two motions for summary judgment. (Dkt. No. 38 at 1.) Finding that Plaintiff has not provided  
22 an adequate reason for requesting additional pages, especially where the Defendants' respective  
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1 | briefs cover much of the same ground, the Court DENIES Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File an  
2 | Overlength Brief.

3 | Plaintiff also moves to continue the following deadlines: the jury trial, expert witness  
4 | disclosures, motions related to discovery, and the discovery completion date. (Dkt. No. 39 at 1.)  
5 | The Court's Order Setting the Trial Date and Related Dates explicitly states "[t]he Court will  
6 | alter these dates only upon good cause shown: failure to complete discovery within the time  
7 | allowed is not recognized as good cause." (Dkt. No. 15 at 2.) Plaintiff contends he has good  
8 | cause for seeking the continuance: "COVID-19." (Dkt. No. 39 at 1.) However, Plaintiff fails to  
9 | explain how COVID-19 prevents the exchange of discovery or interferes with motions practice.  
10 | Further, as Defendants note, the deadline for expert witness disclosures has already passed.  
11 | Plaintiff has not provided good cause within the meaning of the Court's scheduling order.

12 | Plaintiff is free to submit a revised motion with a more detailed explanation of the  
13 | reasons why the Court should extend the current deadlines. However, on the record currently  
14 | before the Court, there is insufficient reason to justify a delay. The Court therefore DENIES  
15 | Plaintiff's Motion to Continue Deadlines.

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18 | The clerk is ordered to provide copies of this order to all counsel.

19 | Dated April 2, 2020.

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22 | Marsha J. Pechman  
23 | United States District Judge  
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